SMEX Kickoff Meeting Safety, Reliability, & Quality Assurance Handout



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- SR&QA effort is controlled by SMEX AO, EPL Reference Document #36.
 - Page 2, Par. 1.1 discusses EXP Program Office & PI joint effort to define best mix of roles and responsibilities for SR&QA execution.
 - Mission Definition & Requirements Agreement. (EPL Ref. #45)
 - Code 410/PI SR&QA Insight Agreement.
 - Becomes part of GSFC/PI Contract as a condition for confirmation.
 - Defines Early the Inter-Institutional Partnering Arrangement for SR&QA services.
 - Page 3, Par. 2.1 requires Pls to implement a product assurance program that is consistent with ISO 9000 series ANSI/ASQC Q9001-2000.
 - ISO <u>registration not required</u>, but <u>compliance is expected</u> with the Standard's sections <u>where it makes good engineering and programmatic sense</u>.
 - Program must meet SMEX Safety, Reliability, and Quality Assurance Requirements, as published with the AO.
 - Tailoring encouraged in most assurance technology areas, <u>but</u> ...

- The highly specialized discipline of System Safety, including the Range Safety effort, is <u>dictated by statute</u>. Therefore, expert guidance through the process is available from GSFC by PI teams. It is crucial that PI's allocate resources early for this effort.
 - Requires hazards analysis
 - Systems Safety Plan
 - MSPSP
 - Magnitude of System Safety effort <u>must not be under-estimated</u>.
 - Allocate/identify roles & resources.
- Details of specific System Safety program requirements and deliverables with process flow descriptions (EPL Ref. #36 a-d).
- Orbital Debris Analysis required early.

- The SMEX SR&QA Requirements document addresses Missions of Opportunity.
 - Permits further tailoring for Missions of Opportunity.
 - Balloon requirements in SR&QA document (EPL Ref. #36).
- Specifics of PI SR&QA Program to be negotiated with Explorers during definition phase.
 - SMEX SR&QA Requirements are basis for PI SR&QA Program & associated documentation.
 - A specific Project Mission Assurance Requirements document will be generated by the GSFC Explorers Program Office from the base SR&QA document after selection.
 - PI program shall be modeled after ANSI/ASQC Q9001-2000.
 - Quality Manual or equivalent document to be reviewed by GSFC for comments during Phase B.

SMEX SR&QA document Highlights:

- Invokes NASA Hi-Reliability Workmanship standards.
 - New NASA adoption of ANSI/ESD S20.20
 - NASA-Std-8739.7 canceled on ESD
- Strongly Urges flight Printed Wiring Board Coupon DPA prior to population with flight EEE parts.
- Requires a PI Failure Reporting System for phase C/D/E.
- Design Review Requirements for IIRT and Peer reviews.
- EEE Parts Selection criteria per GSFC 311-INST-002.
 - PI shall maintain and review Parts Lists with GSFC via a participative Parts Review Board process.
 - PI shall use an organized system to manage parts application, evaluation, and use.
 - Includes mandatory GIDEP Alert and NASA Advisory responses.
 - GSFC Parts Engineering available as a resource

- Materials and Processes program required as typical for GSFC sponsored missions.
 - Preliminary and final materials lists
 - Interface with GSFC for new materials or unconventional uses.
 - Use of GIDEP system
- Closed loop problem/failure reporting system for HW and SW with documentation
- Reliability
 - Risk assessments made and mitigation strategies identified.
 - Critical evaluation of single string and fault tolerance design
 - Use of FTA, FEMA, and PRA for instruments, s/c, and Observatory

Software

- Code to be structured, error free, and maintainable.
- Establish & document SW requirements, external interface specs, user guides.
- Internal (peer) and external software design reviews.
- Participation with NASA's IV&V Facility manditory.

Verification

- Verification/test program to ensure all mission requirements are met.
- Documentation to include verification matrix, environments matrix, and test procedures.
- "Test as you fly; Fly as you test"

Emergent Themes Directed by NASA HQ

- IIR Team Reviews.
 - Team expectations can exceed baseline review requirements.
 - Reviews w/extra, detailed questions: SSR through PSR includes SW.
 - RFA trail & Failure Report closures thoroughly checked by the IIRT.
 - GSFC Policy has shifted to Code 301 and IIRT Co-chaired Reviews
- Reliability Emphasis On:
 - Probabilistic Risk Assessment (PRA).
 - Fault Tree Analysis, etc.
 - FMEA @ subsystem level.
 - Identify all single string design features.
 - Failure Impacts/mitigation.
- Tangible Continuous Risk Tracking & Management System.
- Software IV&V.
 - Each mission evaluated for SW complexity/risk/need.
 - Determination of appropriate level of IV&V involvement via standardized criteria.

- Web sites of Interest:
 - LaRC Explorers Library
 - http://explorer.larc.nasa.gov/explorer/sel.html
 - NASA Online Directives Information System Library
 - http://nodis.gsfc.nasa.gov/library/main lib.html
 - NASA Lessons Learned
 - http://llis.nasa.gov/
 - NASA Guidelines and Procedures for Orbital Debris
 - http://www.hq.nasa.gov/office/codeq/doctree/1740 14.pdf
 - NASA Workmanship Standards
 - http://workmanship.nasa.gov/index.jsp
 - NASA Electronic Packaging and Parts
 - http://www.nepp.nasa.gov/
 - NASA SW IV&V Facility
 - http://www.ivv.nasa.gov/
 - GSFC Office of Systems Safety and Mission Assurance Home Page
 - http://arioch.gsfc.nasa.gov/
 - GSFC Risk Management
 - http://smo.gsfc.nasa.gov/riskman/index.html

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